



COMPANY CONNECTS IN STRATEGIC STEPS FOR GROWTH

Different Roads to Learning, started by Julie Azuma, began like many other businesses – with necessity being the mother of invention. When Julie's child was diagnosed with autism, professionals suggested many obscure educational materials to assist with her child's learning that were extremely difficult to find. With a lack of comprehensive resources specifically targeted toward children with autism, Julie decided to create her own solution; she launched a business that offers educational tools and content for these children and their families. [View article>](#)



BLOOMBERG TV'S "THE MENTOR" FEATURES M/WBE

American Fire Control, a Harlem-based fire extinguisher maintenance company, was recently selected from a nationwide pool of applicants to be featured on Bloomberg TV's "The Mentor." The show pairs growing entrepreneurs with CEOs of leading corporations to share their advice and insight to help these small business owners expand their business. [View article>](#)



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